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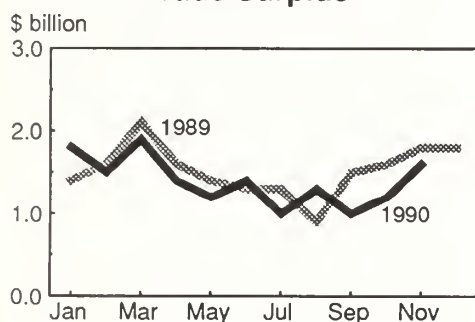
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U.S. Agricultural Trade Update

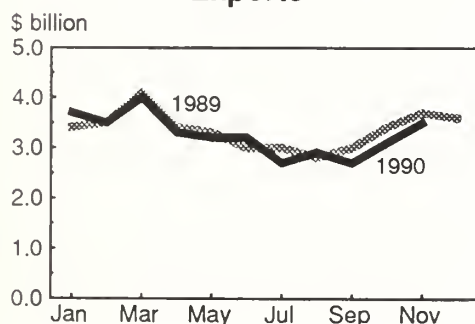
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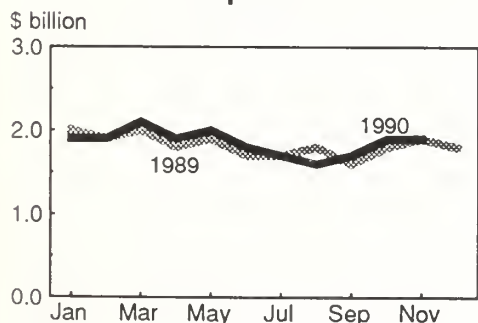
Trade Surplus



Exports



Imports



Agricultural Trade Surplus Rises in November - The U.S. agricultural trade surplus rose steeply in November, gaining \$439 million from the previous month and rebounding from its seasonal low. Exports gained seasonally and imports remained virtually unchanged. At \$1.6 billion, the trade surplus was its highest since March 1990's \$1.9 billion. However, the cumulative January-November surplus for 1990 was \$1.1 billion below its 1989 level, totaling \$15.3 billion. November's surplus also continued to fall short of year-earlier levels.

Agricultural Exports Higher in November - Increases in crop shipments drove exports \$418 million higher in November. At \$3.5 billion, November exports exceeded October's by 14 percent. Soybean, corn, cotton, and tobacco showed typical early-season export gains, more than offsetting declines in fruits, vegetables, and live animals.

However, exports were \$155 million below November 1989, largely due to reduced corn sales to the Soviet Union. Cumulatively, January-November 1990 exports were \$217 million lower than a year earlier, reaching \$36.2 billion.

Corn remained the largest single farm export in November, totaling \$453 million and 4.3 million tons. Shipments rose nearly 60 percent from October, with Japan accounting for most of the increase. Shipments to Japan rose nearly 700,000 tons, and exports to Korea rose 328,000 tons. Larger shipments to Eastern Europe, Taiwan, and the USSR were also reported, but shipments to the USSR barely exceeded 130,000 tons. This was substantially below the 3.4 million tons shipped to the USSR during November 1989.

Soybean exports nearly doubled in November, rising to 1.7 million tons and \$399 million. Shipments to the European Community were sharply higher than during October, as well as those to Taiwan and Korea. Exports to Japan rose slightly. However, November 1990 soybean exports were 378,000 tons below November 1989. Taiwan was the only major market to import more U.S.

soybeans in November 1990 than in 1989.

Japan and Korea accounted for the largest month-to-month *cotton* export gains in November, helping boost exports more than \$130 million from October. Export volume rose to most markets, and the average export unit value was little changed from October.

Cumulatively, cotton showed increased prices, volume, and value during January-November 1990. Tightening global supplies increased the U.S. share of world trade, raising volume 10 percent during the first 11 months. Prices rose as well, and January-November 1990 cotton exports were \$500 million above 1989 levels.

In contrast, *wheat* exports during January-November 1990 were nearly \$2 billion below year-earlier levels. November 1990 wheat exports were little changed from October 1990 and November 1989.

Agricultural Imports Steady - U.S. agricultural imports remained at \$1.9 billion in November. During the first 11 months of 1990, agricultural imports totaled \$20.9 billion, 5 percent above the total for January-November of 1989. Higher rubber, live animal, and sugar imports offset lower imports of coffee. Meat imports fell slightly, and fruit imports remained virtually unchanged. (Stephen A. MacDonald, 202-219-0821)

Lower Exports Expected - Export value in Fiscal 1991 is expected to fall \$1.6 billion to \$38.5 billion, its first decline since fiscal 1986. Export volume is expected to fall 6 percent to 139.5 million tons, as coarse grain exports decline. Lower world grain trade is expected following larger harvests by traditional grain importers, and the U.S. share of world grain trade is expected to fall following increased competitor production. U.S. corn exports will decline largely because of a forecast one-third drop in USSR corn imports from all sources. Larger world wheat production is resulting in sharply lower prices (table 4).

Table 1--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity group and unit	January-November				November			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990
Total agricultural exports (NA)	--	--	36,400,251	36,183,003	--	--	3,655,788	3,500,417
Animals and animal products (NA)	--	--	5,837,982	6,147,684	--	--	540,872	562,595
Animals live - excl poultry (NA)	--	--	355,767	356,409	--	--	51,188	26,260
Cattle and calves - live (NO)	158	108	99,477	80,019	12	13	9,493	9,487
Horses, mules, burros-live (NO)	39	78	207,669	224,435	4	6	37,316	12,179
Swine - live (NO)	86	50	12,634	8,975	5	6	1,035	1,289
Sheep and lambs, live (NO)	288	430	9,704	14,281	29	40	855	1,372
Other live animals (NA)	--	--	26,284	28,698	--	--	2,490	1,933
Meats and meat products (MT)	839	785	2,170,070	2,344,354	80	81	202,961	245,418
Beef and veal (MT)	358	320	1,315,988	1,451,614	35	33	118,378	154,662
Beef and veal - fresh or froz (MT)	349	313	1,291,909	1,420,204	34	32	116,121	151,628
Beef - prepared or preserved (MT)	8	7	24,079	31,410	1	1	2,257	3,033
Horsemeat-fresh, chill, froz (MT)	54	50	122,986	141,774	5	5	11,514	14,400
Pork (MT)	84	74	301,737	296,730	9	7	35,095	28,091
Pork - fresh or frozen (MT)	72	60	274,058	261,775	8	6	31,318	23,555
Pork - prep or pres (MT)	12	14	27,679	34,955	1	2	3,777	4,536
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	245	231	348,875	356,398	21	26	30,291	39,072
Other meats - fresh or prep (MT)	98	111	80,484	97,838	10	9	7,684	9,194
Poultry and poultry products (NA)	--	--	651,755	859,015	--	--	66,355	78,629
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	74,675	93,628	--	--	6,218	8,538
Baby chicks (NO)	31,221	40,041	63,714	77,995	2,191	4,048	5,554	7,122
Other live poultry (NA)	--	--	10,961	15,633	--	--	664	1,416
Poultry meats (MT)	391	552	464,346	644,608	47	52	51,009	58,141
Chickens - fresh or froz (MT)	341	490	388,900	524,512	42	45	42,769	45,624
Turkeys - fresh or frozen (MT)	17	22	22,261	29,988	1	3	1,945	4,783
Other poultry - fresh or froz (MT)	13	13	15,093	14,203	1	1	1,381	1,126
Poultry meats - prep or pres (MT)	21	26	38,092	75,906	2	3	4,914	6,608
Feathers and downs, crude (MT)	2	2	29,078	28,542	0	0	927	1,592
Eggs (NA)	--	--	83,657	92,236	--	--	8,200	10,359
Dairy products (NA)	--	--	384,252	308,577	--	--	25,924	19,203
Evap & condensed milk (MT)	13	4	19,858	3,345	0	0	141	128
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	117	8	101,938	12,708	4	0	2,928	578
Butter & anhydrous milkfat (MT)	22	56	37,920	86,885	1	0	2,550	653
Cheese (MT)	9	11	22,212	35,958	2	1	2,244	3,364
Whey, fluid or dried (NA)	--	--	38,226	35,656	--	--	2,554	4,203
Other dairy products (NA)	--	--	164,098	134,026	--	--	15,507	10,278
Fats, oils, and greases (MT)	1,248	1,069	468,496	385,417	105	96	38,675	33,389
Lard (MT)	50	46	23,753	21,386	3	6	1,459	3,099
Tallow - inedible (MT)	993	837	359,165	282,950	90	80	31,667	25,608
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	204	186	85,579	81,081	12	10	5,550	4,682
Hides and skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	1,570,483	1,630,142	--	--	134,534	135,044
Cattle hides - whole (NO)	24,171	22,188	1,226,552	1,236,932	2,108	2,070	106,238	111,210
Other cattle hides - pieces (NA)	--	--	35,960	29,524	--	--	3,492	1,385
Other hides & skins, ex furs (NA)	--	--	161,496	223,166	--	--	16,743	20,005
Furskins (NA)	--	--	146,475	140,520	--	--	8,060	2,444
Mink pelts (NO)	3,142	4,701	93,828	100,698	161	56	5,617	1,226
Other furskins (NA)	--	--	52,647	39,823	--	--	2,443	1,218
Wool and mohair (MT)	6	6	35,886	24,488	1	1	3,718	1,812
Sausage casings (MT)	9	11	27,897	29,489	1	2	3,016	3,097
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	45,626	52,477	--	--	5,593	3,499
Misc animal prods - other (NA)	--	--	127,751	157,316	--	--	8,908	16,245
Grains and feeds (MT)	108,420	97,260	15,689,837	13,483,595	11,300	8,477	1,490,623	1,069,879
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	34,140	25,849	5,500,820	3,651,253	1,868	2,103	305,176	235,240
Wheat flour (MT)	1,059	745	243,271	168,020	135	69	30,923	14,288
Bulgur wheat (MT)	16	10	2,899	2,084	1	1	160	238
Other wheat products (MT)	12	17	10,564	15,988	1	2	1,025	2,104
Rice-paddy, milled, parboiled (MT)	2,781	2,236	887,183	723,527	265	263	88,906	73,355
Feed grains and products (MT)	59,672	57,102	7,036,110	6,692,883	8,155	5,009	896,072	534,751
Feed grains (MT)	59,265	56,674	6,908,234	6,578,883	8,122	4,991	885,868	528,913
Barley (MT)	1,504	1,892	184,511	220,593	98	199	12,158	20,788
Corn (MT)	49,881	48,447	5,838,927	5,649,853	7,458	4,266	813,280	453,082
Grain sorghums (MT)	7,789	6,318	874,544	706,397	564	525	60,308	54,901
Oats (MT)	11	10	1,513	1,336	1	1	116	89
Rye (MT)	80	7	8,739	704	0	1	7	53
Feed grain products (MT)	407	428	127,876	114,000	33	18	10,203	5,838
Popcorn (MT)	69	66	38,713	37,677	7	6	3,814	3,172
Blended food products (MT)	202	298	57,464	84,838	20	15	6,150	3,780
Other grain products (MT)	499	547	267,467	402,917	80	54	33,571	45,082
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	9,970	10,391	1,645,346	1,704,408	769	957	124,827	157,870
Corn by-products (MT)	4,627	5,349	675,066	725,996	372	548	53,011	75,120
Alfalfa meal and cubes (MT)	481	500	70,923	79,817	49	43	7,366	7,069
Beet pulp (MT)	523	490	66,590	60,108	64	20	8,062	2,191
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	665	492	79,746	55,090	1	50	289	5,280
Other feeds and fodders (MT)	3,674	3,561	753,022	783,397	284	295	56,099	68,210
Fruits and preps, excl juices (MT)	1,957	2,281	1,456,991	1,853,414	184	239	140,398	188,122
Fruits - fresh (MT)	1,661	1,927	1,059,503	1,375,071	154	196	97,667	136,160
Fruits - fresh citrus (MT)	955	916	543,996	521,669	71	82	45,886	47,867
Grapefruit - fresh (MT)	459	289	227,570	161,122	34	39	18,121	20,795
Lemons and limes - fresh (MT)	129	133	96,875	98,855	14	15	11,366	9,976
Oranges and tangerines-fresh (MT)	366	494	218,246	261,133	24	28	16,358	17,035
Fruits - fresh noncitrus (MT)	706	1,011	515,506	853,402	83	115	51,781	88,293
Apples - fresh (MT)	224	329	112,275	182,125	45	58	21,488	35,144
Grapes - fresh (MT)	127	190	123,111	197,388	18	24	18,620	28,399
Other noncitrus - fresh (MT)	355	493	280,120	473,890	19	32	11,673	24,750
Fruits - dried (MT)	151	190	243,560	289,896	18	24	28,739	31,790
Raisins - dried (MT)	85	110	137,105	162,205	8	12	12,829	16,733
Prunes - dried (MT)	57	70	91,254	106,025	9	10	14,024	12,127
Other dried fruits (MT)	9	10	15,201	21,667	1	2	1,886	2,930

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Commodity group and unit	January-November				November			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990
Fruits, canned, excl juice (MT)	70	80	70,955	84,165	6	10	6,479	10,136
Fruits - frozen, excl juice (MT)	29	36	29,201	38,822	3	4	2,311	3,207
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	45	49	53,772	65,459	4	5	5,203	6,829
Fruit juices, incl frozen (HL)	4,642	5,824	248,677	322,340	335	486	17,189	26,230
Orange juice (HL)	2,614	3,199	127,036	160,274	196	263	9,708	12,843
Other fruit juices (HL)	2,028	2,625	121,641	162,066	139	223	7,481	13,387
Wine (HL)	700	862	87,150	112,123	58	96	7,867	12,663
Nuts and preparations (MT)	445	508	780,488	888,300	58	58	101,814	108,337
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	147	168	454,684	508,488	14	18	47,947	49,578
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	214	248	148,451	164,322	25	22	16,107	19,151
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	64	60	115,437	123,124	17	12	29,724	24,458
Pecans, shelled or unshelled (MT)	4	7	9,894	28,089	0	0	1,032	1,970
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	16	25	52,021	64,276	2	5	7,005	13,179
Vegetables and preparations (NA)	--	--	1,453,119	2,091,938	--	--	166,406	250,481
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	644	1,174	306,884	632,995	52	120	21,557	66,577
Celery - fresh (MT)	57	89	18,112	32,402	6	9	1,953	3,832
Cauliflower - fresh (MT)	26	52	15,671	32,560	3	4	1,941	3,568
Lettuce - fresh (MT)	145	212	45,253	104,144	14	26	4,263	13,309
Onions - fresh (MT)	76	128	19,828	40,559	11	26	2,519	7,466
Potatoes - fresh (MT)	116	144	43,216	59,375	2	3	622	1,274
Tomatoes - fresh (MT)	73	121	46,502	76,862	5	13	3,083	7,761
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	150	429	118,303	287,092	10	39	7,175	29,366
Vegetables - frozen (MT)	255	292	191,655	236,393	26	28	19,892	23,020
Corn, sweet, frozen (MT)	50	54	37,847	43,620	5	6	4,223	5,158
Potatoes - frozen (MT)	150	177	101,298	130,874	15	15	10,371	11,572
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	54	61	52,510	61,899	6	6	5,298	6,291
Vegetables - canned (MT)	139	193	126,939	165,719	17	25	15,874	22,732
Pulses (MT)	477	608	257,401	318,720	68	105	40,572	55,157
Dried beans (MT)	323	436	201,123	252,332	54	92	35,598	49,240
Dried peas (MT)	109	115	33,960	37,152	10	5	3,212	2,323
Dried lentils (MT)	45	57	22,318	27,235	4	7	1,762	3,595
Hops, incl hop extract (MT)	14	10	79,861	69,090	3	1	19,010	10,103
Other veg - prep or pres (NA)	--	--	490,379	671,023	--	--	49,502	72,891
Oilseeds and products (MT)	19,258	19,856	5,704,497	5,185,824	2,567	2,315	627,094	577,898
Oilcake and meal (MT)	4,130	4,436	1,087,274	936,082	352	500	79,806	101,963
Soybean meal (MT)	4,011	4,190	1,068,797	902,256	348	454	78,839	96,341
Other oilcake and meal (MT)	119	247	18,477	33,827	4	46	967	5,622
Oilseeds (MT)	13,764	14,271	3,807,962	3,485,714	2,137	1,748	496,914	428,459
Soybeans (MT)	13,253	13,849	3,535,514	3,206,475	2,086	1,708	467,301	398,581
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	87	87	42,890	49,591	11	10	5,894	5,330
Peanuts, incl oilstock (MT)	47	59	34,786	40,221	9	10	6,235	6,578
Other oilseeds (MT)	322	204	94,866	60,704	24	13	6,710	3,308
Protein substances (MT)	58	72	99,906	128,725	8	8	10,773	12,662
Vegetable oils (MT)	1,364	1,148	809,261	764,028	78	66	50,374	49,476
Soybean oil (MT)	649	531	335,021	309,002	37	20	19,107	12,768
Cottonseed oil (MT)	191	125	94,844	61,286	8	4	3,761	2,656
Sunflower oil (MT)	196	141	97,528	78,084	7	10	3,753	5,747
Corn oil (MT)	160	184	99,897	124,032	12	19	8,337	12,345
Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	168	167	181,971	191,623	13	14	15,417	15,961
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	206	193	1,226,579	1,247,932	32	28	192,875	180,949
Tobacco - light air-cured (MT)	48	51	333,208	351,825	1	1	5,869	8,659
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	106	106	690,007	713,630	26	22	167,077	152,689
Other tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	52	36	203,364	182,476	5	4	19,929	19,601
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	1,384	1,529	2,000,070	2,499,888	113	156	184,245	269,005
Cotton linters (MT)	43	33	16,994	14,234	3	4	1,242	1,569
Essential oils (MT)	13	13	167,802	167,304	1	1	13,695	11,787
Seeds - field and garden (MT)	464	502	428,853	513,420	28	26	42,196	55,731
Sugar and tropical products (MT)	--	--	637,621	800,930	--	--	69,858	98,527
Sugar and related prods (MT)	--	--	285,982	396,196	--	--	31,031	54,351
Sugar - cane or beet (MT)	394	421	145,687	176,461	48	61	19,481	23,364
Related sugar prods (MT)	--	--	140,295	219,735	--	--	11,550	30,987
Coffee (MT)	16	15	83,930	81,619	1	2	9,186	9,561
Cocoa (MT)	8	21	21,395	52,457	1	3	1,947	8,358
Chocolate and preparations (MT)	50	48	142,628	163,909	6	5	18,298	17,841
Tea and mate' (MT)	6	9	28,068	39,425	1	1	2,722	2,823
Spices (MT)	8	12	22,798	33,394	1	1	2,170	3,219
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	30	16	48,591	30,695	2	1	4,126	2,004
Other misc veg prods (MT)	35	28	197,209	220,082	2	3	23,492	31,860
Nursery and greenhouse products (NA)	--	--	106,440	185,112	--	--	9,148	15,197
Beverages, excl juices (NA)	--	--	359,940	448,881	--	--	26,773	39,588
Selected non-ag exports (NA)	--	--	11,007,198	12,624,257	--	--	877,062	1,188,509
Fertilizers (NA)	--	--	2,679,272	2,328,188	--	--	176,136	209,932
Fish and shellfish (MT)	589	859	2,171,361	2,659,963	30	72	118,703	233,143
Fish - fresh or prepared (MT)	396	642	1,321,705	1,668,159	18	37	59,911	90,489
Shellfish (MT)	112	139	575,874	737,108	8	14	44,746	127,089
Other fish products (MT)	80	78	273,781	254,695	3	21	14,046	15,565
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	266	261	1,223,998	1,245,563	19	17	102,008	96,943
Fungicides (MT)	24	22	134,246	177,360	2	2	12,638	14,005
Herbicides (MT)	124	123	614,199	577,635	9	4	53,546	37,031
Insecticides (MT)	53	52	199,635	226,506	3	5	11,101	19,240
Other pesticides (MT)	65	64	275,918	264,062	5	7	24,722	26,667
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	1,715,031	1,892,142	--	--	145,580	136,434
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	24	29	549,963	625,882	2	2	46,475	42,011
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	--	--	1,165,068	1,266,260	--	--	99,105	94,423
Tobacco - manufactured (NA)	--	--	3,217,536	4,498,401	--	--	334,634	512,057

Preliminary data. NA = Not available. Zeroes in quantity columns represent none or less than 500 units.

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity and unit	January-November				November			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990
Total agricultural imports (NA)	--	--	20,000,252	20,911,695	--	--	1,850,788	1,900,609
Noncompetitive agr. imports (NA)	--	--	5,722,871	5,091,877	--	--	438,080	411,273
Bananas and plantains (MT)	2,847	3,001	800,922	860,764	264	256	74,802	73,451
Coffee, including products (MT)	1,105	1,115	2,280,069	1,753,654	108	71	158,678	115,463
Cocoa and products (MT)	532	667	915,892	992,259	40	47	68,804	81,002
Tea and mate' (MT)	85	75	126,863	136,030	7	7	12,213	11,128
Spices (MT)	100	100	255,452	227,602	8	10	19,994	21,207
Rubber & allied gums-crude (MT)	856	764	905,942	642,918	80	82	65,674	69,003
Silk - raw (MT)	0	0	11,281	8,126	0	0	902	64
Wool, unmanufactured-carpet (MT)	16	11	54,899	35,320	1	1	2,814	2,039
Fibers, excluding cotton (MT)	98	93	44,094	41,812	8	7	3,506	3,027
Essential oils (MT)	16	30	124,381	143,274	2	1	10,660	12,163
Drugs - crude - natural (MT)	40	56	202,167	249,459	3	6	20,034	22,596
Other noncompetitive imports (NA)	--	--	909	660	--	--	0	131
Competitive agricult imports (NA)	--	--	14,277,380	15,819,818	--	--	1,412,708	1,489,335
Animals and animal products (NA)	--	--	4,562,591	5,117,564	--	--	462,206	514,623
Animals-live, excl. poultry (NO)	2,338	2,760	705,228	1,015,996	254	337	92,374	124,124
Cattle - live (NO)	1,190	1,886	558,805	876,031	187	269	78,207	108,846
Horses & mules - live (NO)	10	10	48,181	49,307	2	1	8,295	8,030
Swine - live (NO)	986	825	92,298	88,713	62	65	5,699	7,064
Sheep - live (NO)	139	24	5,476	1,682	3	2	155	149
Other live animals (NO)	12	15	468	262	0	0	18	35
Meats and prods ex poultry (MT)	1,017	1,069	2,310,811	2,687,817	89	98	219,997	251,427
Beef and veal (MT)	645	700	1,501,798	1,709,559	59	64	145,758	157,608
Beef & veal-fresh/frozen (MT)	583	637	1,328,806	1,525,134	53	60	129,725	143,045
Beef & veal-prep or pres (MT)	62	63	172,993	184,425	5	5	16,033	14,563
Pork (MT)	321	325	689,122	871,899	26	29	62,572	82,203
Pork - fresh or frozen (MT)	210	217	362,405	473,999	17	20	31,581	45,039
Pork-prepared, preservd (MT)	111	108	326,717	397,900	9	9	30,991	37,164
Mutton, goat, & lamb (MT)	19	17	39,727	35,899	1	2	2,950	3,241
Horsemeat - fr or froz (MT)	0	0	13	93	0	0	0	40
Variety meats-fresh/froz (MT)	12	11	20,572	19,038	1	1	1,752	2,630
Other meats-fresh or froz(MT)	3	1	18,141	6,423	0	0	1,603	839
Other meats & products (MT)	17	15	41,437	44,905	2	2	5,360	4,866
Poultry and products (NA)	--	--	125,071	115,504	--	--	11,770	11,384
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	16,234	13,920	--	--	1,157	1,564
Poultry meat (MT)	3	4	13,345	18,259	0	0	1,498	1,480
Eggs (NA)	--	--	26,094	22,448	--	--	2,129	1,458
Feathers & downs - crude (MT)	12	10	69,398	60,877	1	1	6,986	6,882
Dairy products (NA)	--	--	773,769	842,691	--	--	96,798	84,898
Milk & cream, fres/dried (MT)	14	15	14,582	15,435	1	1	707	955
Butter & butterfat mixt (MT)	2	2	3,444	2,554	0	0	243	289
Cheese (MT)	111	126	334,352	401,503	15	14	44,885	49,129
Casein & mixtures (MT)	78	83	372,606	360,319	9	7	45,123	27,594
Other dairy products (NA)	--	--	48,785	62,880	--	--	5,841	6,931
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	13	19	12,345	14,272	1	2	1,242	1,613
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	199,344	110,213	--	--	11,910	7,070
Sheep & lamb skins (MT)	7	6	34,751	29,623	0	0	2,036	1,209
Oth hides & skins ex fur (NA)	--	--	55,962	56,957	--	--	4,316	4,460
Furskins (NA)	--	--	108,631	23,633	--	--	5,557	1,401
Wool-unmfg, apparel grades (MT)	42	29	224,267	125,185	2	4	9,915	15,783
Sausage casings (MT)	13	12	60,354	49,413	1	1	3,436	3,531
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	2,772	2,886	--	--	260	196
Misc. animal products (NA)	--	--	148,631	153,586	--	--	14,504	14,597
Grains, products, & feeds (MT)	3,371	3,187	1,116,152	1,081,340	370	343	125,428	117,159
Wheat, excluding seed (MT)	300	560	52,390	71,651	76	89	12,423	10,892
Corn, unmilled (MT)	47	39	18,389	5,039	6	16	544	1,813
Oats, unmilled (MT)	1,181	836	144,260	75,790	123	83	12,630	6,093
Barley, unmilled (MT)	230	190	40,232	30,432	33	18	5,290	2,150
Rice (MT)	113	135	55,161	64,851	10	12	5,286	5,611
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	153	143	313,270	312,565	18	15	41,065	37,488
Pasta & noodles (MT)	123	133	106,899	124,276	12	14	10,720	13,087
Other grains & preps (NA)	--	--	162,951	156,635	--	--	14,986	14,803
Feeds & fodders ex oilcake (MT)	941	883	222,600	240,101	72	68	22,485	25,221
Fruits & preparations (MT)	1,762	1,833	1,019,060	1,142,361	93	95	56,727	60,831
Fruits - fresh or frozen (MT)	1,266	1,364	643,279	755,216	42	53	17,668	23,239
Strawberries fresh o/froz (MT)	39	45	32,863	42,269	2	2	2,653	2,452
Apples, fresh (MT)	112	100	45,064	38,386	6	8	1,458	2,226
Citrus, fresh (MT)	64	84	14,661	22,541	9	15	1,959	5,201
Grapes, fresh (MT)	270	358	210,434	266,753	1	1	720	880
Mangoes, fresh (MT)	52	59	42,121	57,623	0	0	119	237
Melons, fresh (MT)	462	405	120,459	113,841	11	16	3,118	5,606
Pineapples, fresh (MT)	93	107	39,666	43,461	9	7	3,826	3,123
Other fruits- fresh or frozen	174	205	138,011	170,341	3	4	3,815	3,514
Fruits - prepared or preserved	496	469	375,781	387,146	52	42	39,059	37,592
Pineapples-canned or prep (MT)	280	258	159,878	156,907	27	21	15,080	12,561
Other fruits-prep or pres (MT)	216	211	215,903	230,239	24	22	23,979	25,031
Orange juice (HL)	12,885	16,797	397,218	614,495	2,066	918	51,836	25,884
Other fruit juices (HL)	11,675	13,616	259,874	309,615	1,186	1,514	26,056	34,726
Nuts and preparations (MT)	122	145	313,882	356,700	18	22	42,468	59,603
Brazil nuts (MT)	6	11	15,699	17,254	0	1	1,347	1,416
Cashew nuts (MT)	45	50	198,251	206,624	5	6	21,804	26,938
Chestnuts (MT)	4	3	9,078	7,116	3	2	6,543	4,586
Coconut meat (MT)	43	44	34,094	36,254	5	6	3,530	4,990
Filberts (MT)	1	0	1,365	675	0	0	38	51
Macademia nuts (MT)	2	2	20,531	18,319	0	0	1,670	3,800
Pistachio nuts (MT)	1	1	4,866	4,117	0	0	1,993	315
Other nuts (MT)	20	34	29,999	66,341	4	8	5,543	17,508

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity - continued

Commodity and unit	January-November				November			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990	1989	1990
Vegetables and preparations (NA) --	--	--	1,872,891	2,081,514	--	--	153,586	149,928
Vegetables-fresh or frozen (MT)	1,713	1,643	889,914	1,112,019	139	123	70,040	66,797
Tomatoes (MT)	373	341	216,275	367,076	21	12	7,653	5,161
Asparagus (MT)	15	19	17,630	26,772	1	2	1,751	2,218
Beans (MT)	23	17	19,999	19,863	1	1	1,000	680
Carrots (MT)	49	50	10,705	10,877	9	8	1,651	1,956
Cucumbers (MT)	168	150	76,351	58,137	19	17	9,716	6,212
Eggplant (MT)	15	14	7,775	15,545	1	2	673	963
Garlic (MT)	16	18	13,547	17,126	1	0	714	103
Lettuce (MT)	25	12	8,649	4,563	0	0	84	58
Onions (MT)	151	161	58,682	68,591	8	8	5,690	10,203
Peas, including chickpeas (MT)	42	36	42,511	41,489	4	3	3,082	2,096
Peppers (MT)	126	123	100,738	146,591	4	7	6,158	8,578
Potatoes (MT)	253	252	70,419	77,803	25	29	6,544	6,799
Squash (MT)	67	67	30,398	37,675	6	6	2,672	3,162
Other vegg-fresh or froz (MT)	390	383	216,235	219,913	37	28	22,650	18,609
Vegetables-prep or preserv (NA) --	--	--	982,977	969,495	--	--	83,546	83,131
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	62	61	130,699	123,932	7	6	15,969	14,281
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	54	42	129,127	108,205	2	3	5,470	8,618
Hops, incl extract (MT)	6	8	25,188	34,157	0	0	950	735
Artichokes - prepared (MT)	16	11	32,943	20,220	1	1	2,918	2,453
Asparagus - prepared (MT)	1	1	2,558	1,865	0	0	197	113
Tomatoes inc paste & sauce(MT)	166	141	151,214	123,980	14	7	11,027	6,818
Waterchestnuts (MT)	29	32	22,122	24,959	2	2	1,237	1,362
Beans and peas, dried (MT)	61	55	33,612	30,877	3	5	2,010	2,436
Oth vegetables-prep/pres (NA) --	--	--	455,516	501,300	--	--	43,768	46,315
Sugar and related products (NA) --	--	--	896,719	1,102,183	--	--	84,822	103,657
Sugar - cane and beet (MT)	1,484	1,765	558,704	738,612	119	160	50,680	69,596
Molasses - inedible (MT)	6,307	7,762	56,997	73,539	1,093	734	7,375	6,192
Confectionery products (MT)	97	100	166,912	180,208	9	9	15,800	17,493
Other sugar & rel prods (MT)	263	245	114,106	109,825	25	27	10,967	10,375
Spices (MT)	17	19	32,930	27,276	2	1	1,913	2,178
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	164	177	508,757	550,909	13	13	40,226	43,291
Tobacco - filler (MT)	150	159	490,947	535,845	13	12	38,557	42,360
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	13	17	5,458	6,880	0	1	255	539
Other tobacco (MT)	1	1	12,352	8,184	0	0	1,413	392
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	12,913	12,695	1,703,043	1,753,811	1,254	1,246	205,003	213,529
Wine (HL)	2,600	2,321	853,529	838,476	359	292	129,499	127,486
Malt beverages (HL)	9,575	9,643	796,363	858,914	815	865	69,856	79,301
Other beverages (HL)	737	732	53,151	56,421	80	89	5,648	6,743
Oilseeds and products (MT)	1,697	1,869	827,759	874,489	175	162	82,879	75,559
Oilseeds and oilnuts (MT)	422	476	157,037	184,884	54	44	17,449	15,039
Flaxseed (MT)	156	86	52,306	25,763	12	6	3,880	1,439
Sesameseed (MT)	37	40	36,191	53,668	4	3	3,949	3,829
Other oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	228	351	68,540	105,453	38	35	9,620	9,772
Oils and waxes-vegetable (MT)	951	1,100	613,976	644,754	97	82	61,471	55,260
Castor oil (MT)	34	31	30,593	29,593	6	5	5,340	4,957
Coconut oil (MT)	335	394	160,349	143,403	38	29	17,719	8,814
Olive oil (MT)	73	86	137,524	178,495	7	9	13,262	19,096
Palm oil (MT)	101	125	38,117	33,166	8	7	2,426	2,036
Palm kernel oil (MT)	144	151	73,776	57,423	18	10	7,871	3,161
Other oils and waxes-veg. (MT)	265	313	173,617	202,674	21	23	14,854	17,195
Oilcake and meal (MT)	324	293	56,746	44,851	25	36	3,958	5,260
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	1	0	3,258	484	0	0	18	0
Cotton linters (MT)	13	27	5,567	18,521	3	1	1,312	954
Seeds - field and garden (MT)	147	160	171,885	153,345	8	6	11,307	12,273
Cut flowers (NA) --	--	--	277,338	287,526	--	--	24,109	25,459
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA) --	--	--	181,719	197,130	--	--	32,627	35,251
Other vegetable products (MT)	37	41	126,737	150,553	4	5	10,185	14,428
Selected non-agric. imports (NA) --	--	--	9,387,125	9,189,165	--	--	813,859	855,897
Fertilizers (MT) 1/	40,466	16,126	1,506,859	1,380,569	1,083	1,639	113,995	139,527
Potassium (MT)	5,937	6,493	526,008	508,126	492	679	44,091	48,024
Nitrogen (MT) 1/	30,843	5,269	659,558	571,584	286	497	49,084	63,244
Phosphate (MT)	3,640	4,346	313,660	297,149	303	462	20,598	28,031
Mixed and organ. fertilzers (MT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fish and shellfish(MT)	1,367	1,274	4,993,878	4,748,784	115	104	454,205	453,580
Fish - fresh or prepared (MT)	967	853	2,545,055	2,388,948	77	68	197,206	200,518
Shellfish (MT)	321	315	2,401,311	2,304,970	35	31	253,868	248,886
Fish products, other (MT)	79	107	47,511	54,866	3	4	3,131	4,176
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	84	85	461,031	462,308	7	6	40,472	30,068
Fungicides (MT)	14	21	47,719	50,757	1	2	3,408	4,242
Herbicides (MT)	22	23	150,117	136,100	1	1	9,271	4,624
Insecticides (MT)	3	3	34,363	29,322	0	0	1,548	1,869
Other pesticides (MT)	45	37	228,832	246,129	4	2	26,245	19,333
Farm machinery (NA) --	--	--	2,345,905	2,511,643	--	--	197,324	224,354
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	1,352	1,504	1,059,957	1,281,101	147	106	95,422	122,374
Other ag mach & parts (NA) --	--	--	1,285,948	1,230,542	--	--	101,902	101,980
Tobacco - manufactured (NA) --	--	--	79,453	85,860	--	--	7,863	8,368

1/ Excludes quantity data on anhydrous ammonia in 1989/90. All other statistics are preliminary.
 NA = Not available. Zeroes in quantity columns represent none or less than 500 units.

Table 3--U.S. agricultural trade summary (\$ Million)

Item	Sept	Oct	Nov	Year to date	Chg. fm. prev. yr.
					Percent
Agricultural exports	2,945	3,082	3,500	36,183	-0.6
Imports (c.i.f.)	1,834	1,989	2,030	22,612	2.2
Imports (Customs val.)	1,728	1,922	1,901	20,912	4.6
Trade Balance:					
Exports minus cif imports	889	1,093	1,470	13,571	-4.9
Exports minus Customs valued imports	995	1,161	1,600	15,271	-6.9

Preliminary data.

Table 4--U.S. agricultural exports and imports, FY 1976-1991

Fiscal year	Export value	Import value	Export volume
	---\$ Million---		--Million tons--
1976	22,978	10,966	114.1
1977	23,636	13,348	111.9
1978	29,382	14,805	131.3
1979	34,749	16,724	137.4
1980	41,233	17,366	163.5
1981	43,339	16,772	162.0
1982	36,627	15,341	160.2
1983	36,099	16,627	147.1
1984	37,804	19,334	145.9
1985	29,041	19,968	126.0
1986	26,222	21,543	109.9
1987	28,709	20,402	129.3
1988	37,080	20,954	148.1
1989	39,637	21,477	145.5
1990	40,182	22,513	147.7
1991 Forecast	38,500	22,000	139.5

Table 5--U.S. agricultural exports (\$ Million)

Commodity group	Sept	Oct	Nov	Year to date	Change from prev. year
					Percent
Total	2,723	3,082	3,500	36,183	-0.6
Live animals	50	128	35	450	4.6
Meat & preps	263	298	304	2,989	13.5
Dairy prod & eggs	37	30	30	401	-14.3
Animal fats	35	23	33	385	-17.7
Hides & skins	131	124	135	1,630	3.8
Wheat	340	268	235	3,651	-33.6
Rice	65	85	73	724	-18.4
Corn	315	301	453	5,650	-3.2
Other feed grains	58	80	76	929	-13.1
Animal feeds	166	229	260	2,640	-3.4
Soybeans	182	194	399	3,206	-9.3
Vegetable oils	70	67	49	764	-5.6
Horticult. prods.	565	722	681	6,250	29.4
Cotton & linters	146	138	271	2,514	24.6
Tobacco, unmg.	74	106	181	1,248	1.7

Preliminary data.

Table 6--U.S. agricultural imports (\$ Million, Customs value)

Commodity group	Sept	Oct	Nov	Year to date	Change from prev. year
					Percent
Total	1,728	1,922	1,901	20,912	4.6
Live animals	85	105	126	1,030	42.8
Meat & preps.	241	262	253	2,706	16.4
Dairy prod, eggs	71	76	86	865	8.2
Grains & feeds	100	125	117	1,081	-3.1
Fruits & nuts	262	187	181	2,423	21.8
Vegetables	112	139	150	2,082	11.1
Vegetable oils	54	71	55	645	5.0
Wine	70	126	127	838	-1.8
Malt beverages	75	81	79	859	7.9
Coffee	122	163	115	1,754	-23.1
Cocoa	78	84	81	992	8.3
Rubber, natural	72	47	69	643	-29.0
Sugar-cane & beet	89	58	70	739	32.2
Tobacco, unmg.	60	49	43	551	8.3
Seeds, flowers	56	61	73	638	1.1

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